the CGHS are charging more rates than approved by the CGHS for operations and other services and hence the CGHS beneficiaries including Members of Parliament have to pay the difference to the hospitals and are, therefore, not reimbursed the full amount spent on treatment in such hospitals; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to instruct such hospitals to charge only the approved rates while giving recognition/approval to these hospitals, so that the beneficiaries get the full reimbursement of the hospital expenses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Private hospitals recognised under CGHS Delhi have signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the CGHS and therefore these hospitals cannot charge CGHS beneficiaries more than the ceiling rates fixed by the Government for various medical procedures/tests/ investigations.

So far the MoA has been signed only with the private hospitals recognised under CGHS Delhi.

Two complaints have been received in CGHS Delhi which are under examination.

Fresh recognition of private hospitals in CGHS covered cities outside Delhi is under process where the private hospitals would be recognised under CGHS only after they sign the MoA with the CGHS which would ensure that the CGHS beneficiaries are not charged over and above the ceiling rates for various procedures fixed by the Government.

Telephone facilities to IMS&H doctors

3511. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
MISS MABEL REBELLO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the residential telephone reimbursement/rental liability to CHS officers has been restricted only to the doctors belonging to Allopathic System as per Orders issued on 24th September, 1999;

(b) whether it is also a fact that eligible ISM&H doctors have also been given assurance several times; and

(c) the reasons for not providing telephone facilities to the ISM&H doctors who are eligible for many years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) M/o Health & Family Welfare's Order No 7-16023/2/95-CHS-V(Pt.II) dated 24.9.99 relates to sanction of residential telephone to Central Health Service Officers only who belong to the Allopathic system.

(b) and (c) A proposal has already been mooted by the Deptt. of ISM&H for providing residential telephone facility to the ISM&H Physicians but no final decision has been taken on the issue by the Government as yet.

Posting of senior homoeopathic doctors at Safdarjung Referral Clinic and PHA

3512. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Homoeopathic Junior Doctors have been posted at Safdarjung referral clinic under CGHS Specialist Wing and Parliament House Annexe;

(b) if so, whether Post-Graduate Homoeopathic Doctors have been posted at the Department of ISM&H and only one at CGHS dispensary; and

(c) if so, the reasons for not posting such senior Post-Graduate Homoeopathic Doctors at the above referral clinic and VIP Unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Homoeopathic doctors are recruited by the Dept. of ISM&H through the UPSC. These doctors possess the minimum educational qualification prescribed in the Recruitment Rules for the post, which is graduation. For positng Homoeopathic doctors in CGHS Delhi, the Dept. of ISM&H sends the list of candidates to the CGHS. These candidates are then posted to the Homoeopathic dispensaries/units under CGHS Delhi depending upon administrative convenience.

The Deptt. of ISM&H retains some of the doctors to look after such matters like policy formulation, coordination, monitoring, Pharmacopoeia and Research work, etc.

At present, the Dept. of ISM&H has three Homoeopathic doctors out of which two have a post-graduate degree.

(c) In view of (a) and (b) above, the question does not arise.